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Response Due Date

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00573758

02/02/2017

REFERENCE: AMENDED JULY QUARTERLY REPORT (04/07/2016 - 06/30/2016),
RECEIVED 11/16/2016

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Senate Public Records Office by the response date noted above. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 3 item(s):

1. Your amended report discloses an increase in debts owed to one or more vendors totaling \$13,144.09 on Line 10 of the Summary Page from those disclosed on your original report. Please provide clarifying information as to why this activity was not disclosed on your original report. (11 CFR § 104.3)
2. On Schedule B of your report, you have disclosed a transfer for which you have used the committee's name as the recipient name. Commission Regulations require that these itemized disbursements include the recipient's full name, complete address, date, amount, purpose, state, office sought (House, Senate, or President), and district (if applicable). Please amend your report to include the recipient's full name. (11 CFR §§104.3 (b)(4) and 104.9(b))
3. Schedule D of your report discloses debts to Karen C. McManus and The Selden Group with the notations "Contested amount" and "Disputed Amount." If the committee and the creditor are in dispute over the balance of the debt, the committee must establish the debt as disputed on Schedule D. The committee must disclose any payments paid to the creditor, any amount the committee admits it owed, and the amount the creditor states that the committee owes. The committee may also note that the disclosure of the

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disputed debt does not constitute an admission of liability or waiver of any claims the committee may have against the creditor.

When a disputed debt is settled, the committee must provide a statement explaining the circumstances and conditions under which the debt is extinguished.

Until you extinguish the debts or the Commission has determined the debt is not payable, you are required to continuously disclose the debt. (11 CFR § 104.11(a))

For more information regarding disputed debts, please see Commission Advisory Opinion 1999-38 and 11 CFR § 116.10.

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problems should be filed with the Senate Public Records Office. Please contact the Senate Public Records Office at (202) 224-0322 for instructions on how and where to file an amendment. For additional information about the report review process or specific filing information for your committee type, please visit <http://www.fec.gov/rad/>. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1174.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jaime', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Jaime Amrhein
Senior Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division